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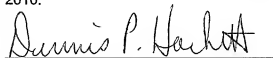
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and the continuing duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attached form PTO/SB/08a is hereby submitted by Applicant for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. The references cited in the PTO/SB/08a were cited by the Japanese Patent Office in a communication (Office Action (attached)) dated June 8, 2010.

Further, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e), each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

This submission, is in no way intended as an admission that the above-cited references constitute prior art under any subsection of 35 U.S.C. § 102. Applicant expressly retains the right to take any actions necessary to remove the above-cited references from the available prior art.

Consideration of the above-identified references in the examination of the present patent application is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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